



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of Kenyatta University)

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

..... SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF
EDUCATION

AEN 102: THE USE OF ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES

Date: SCHOOL BASED

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question 1 and any two others.

QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain how knowledge of the following skills will influence your learning as a University student. (15 marks)
- Writing skills
 - Speaking skills
 - Listening skills
- b) Write an essay of about 450 words on one of the following topics: (15 marks)
- Ways of achieving food security in the country.
 - Why we must pursue excellence.

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss **three** qualities of a good piece of writing (6 marks)
- b) Discuss any four causes of poor listening and suggest possible ways of improving listening efficiency. (14 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Analyze **four** ways how vocalizing and sub-vocalizing wastes time when one is reading and explain **four** ways how one can improve reading speed by avoiding the two.
(10 marks)
- b) Argue the case that the “English For Academic Purposes Course” prepares you to cope with University studies.(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) What is discussion?(5 marks)
- b) Describe the following discussion patterns, showing when each may be used during university discussions.
 - i) The round table
 - ii) The panel
 - iii) The symposium (15marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Describe the stages of preparing and making an oral presentation in a university setting.

(20 marks)